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Column One By David Courtney

MAJOR-General Kennedy and his staff of U.N.R.W.A. have been to Israel. They have been welcome. Here is an organization set to increase the fertility and productivity of a small part of the earth, and to give food and work and hope to a few hundred thousand people who have lost their homes and their wages as the consequence of a war. It is comforting to say over the name, United Nations Relief and Works Administration; and to know that its task, modest enough though it may be, represents an attitude to the problems of the world which is charitable and sensible in the most accurate connotations of those words. It is not on the lookout for uranium or oil or Communists. It is not in search of alliances. It cares nothing for armaments, or strategic bases. Its concern with men and women is not a concern for manpower. Its purpose is to provide natural work, not war work, to those not put in uniform. One could wish that it was the beginning of something bigger, as the Brussels Pact was the beginning of the Atlantic Pact. One could wish that the crisis of homelessness and poverty had excited our Statesmen as the crisis of international rivalry has; and that budgets could be given for the extension of relief and work half as generously as the States of the Atlantic Pact have just offered for the extension of their armaments capacity.

MISERY is not new, and international crises and wars are not new. Elaborate plans to come out on top from the international crises and to win the wars are not new either. It would be new to see something on the same scale as the war and crisis plans set up to deal with the kind of human misery contemplated in the restricted purpose of U.N.R.W.A. No one can say it is not needed. No one can say that international crisis and war might not diminish then. Mr. Churchill on a rampage about the sending of machine-tools to Russia serves, we are told, the interests of Western Civilization. He might serve it even better if he were to lead a campaign not for the preservation of the station in life to which he is accustomed, but for the betterment of the lives of tens of millions of people the world over.

"UNREALISTIC" or not, the idea has been given new emphasis by the latest disaster in India. It is reported that five million people have been made homeless and have lost their livelihoods through earthquake and flood in the Northern Province of Assam. The five millions are, of course, Indians; and the realists will no doubt point to the fact that there are too many Indians anyway, and the earthquake and floods are but the policy of Providence, whose purpose it is to keep the population from reaching quite unmanageable proportions. Perhaps it is. Perhaps, in the absence of international willingness to make bigger and better U.N.R.W.A.'s, the only alternative is to let Providence kill off, make homeless and subject to disease and starvation, the surplus peoples. Where Providence lags, our great governments can be relied upon to keep up the good work with wars that kill by the million, maim by the tens of millions, and leave epidemics of Spanish influenza, or polio, myelitis, or something equally murderous, to keep up the mortality rate when the armaments and ammunition have run out.

MEN will work, given a fair wage and a fair hope of living out their lives in peace. Most of them would rather produce the food they need, and something to spare, than fatten up on a soldier's ration against the day they are required to storm a beach or even in the Far East, where revolution is a bowl of ice. It may be that these references are withheld because of Mr. Stalin; but one seems to remember that they were withheld long before anyone heard of Mr. Stalin. Perhaps, in the past, it has been said to withhold them. Obviously it pays no longer.

Gov't to Act on Border Attacks

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent
HAKIRYA, Monday. — The Government takes a very grave view of the incidents on the Israel-Jordan frontier, the latest of which has involved the death of four soldiers and the wounding of four others.

I understand that it is the Government's intention, following upon the decision to withdraw from the mixed frontier patrols, to consider what further step should be taken to secure a more faithful observance by Jordan of the terms of the Armistice Agreement.

It is felt here that yesterday's incident draws sharp attention to the state of lawlessness on the Jordan side of the armistice lines. The outrage is merely the culmination of a series of similar incidents which have occurred with increasing frequency in recent weeks.

It is clear that the Jordan Government, which, for the sake of propaganda, has in the past exaggerated on all proportion incidents of far smaller gravity attributed to Israel troops, is unable or unwilling to control soldiers and marauding civilians along its own borders.

Whatever incidents may have been charged in the past against Israel troops, there was never among them a single case of wanton attack and murder — crimes which elements operating from the Jordan side of the lines have been perpetrating weekly and sometimes almost daily.

It is stated here to be uncertain whether the persons setting out to commit serious misdemeanors receive official or unofficial encouragement from Jordanian circles which may be interested in maintaining a state of instability and unrest along the borders. But, it is pointed out, there can be no doubt that the Jordan authorities will have to take more energetic measures for the prevention of such crimes if they wish to avoid serious complications with Israel.

JORDAN REIMPOSES PRESS CENSORSHIP
Press censorship was re-imposed in Jordan because the local press was too frequently using translations of the "lying enemy press," the Jordan Premier, Said Pasha el Mufli, stated yesterday, according to an official communique quoted by Ramallah Radio.

These reports (presumably from the Israeli press) were harmful to Jordan interests and seriously disturbed the friendly relations between Jordan and the neighbouring Arab states, the communique said.

Hare Named Envoy To Saudia, Yemen
WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — President Truman today nominated Mr. Raymond Hare, deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs, as Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and Minister to Yemen.

Mr. Hare will succeed Ambassador Rives Childs, who is resigning. The new envoy has had wide experience in Near Eastern affairs, both in diplomatic and private capacities.

Five Yugoslavs On Trial For Espionage
BELGRADE, Monday, (AP). — A trial of five men charged with committing espionage for the Soviet Union was postponed today following the second half of the sitting of a District Court here.

The five defendants, among them a White Russian, have been accused of seeking out Yugoslav atomic energy secrets in the service of Russia.

Only one of the defendants, Risto Ilic, Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Belgrade University, has been heard so far. Although pleading "not guilty" and denying that he is a Communist, Professor Ilic acknowledged that many of the charges were true.

GREEKS REJECT DEATH APPEALS
ATHENS, Monday (Reuters). — The Greek Council of Jeroxy has rejected appeals by 11 alleged Communists sentenced to death by the Athens Military Court on August 10, after a 24-day trial.

Uranium Land Reported Given to E. Germany
PARIS, Monday, (AP). — Czechoslovakia, on Russian orders, has secretly ceded a strip of uranium-bearing land to East Germany, Mr. Edmond Rehak, Secretary General of the Free Czech Council, said in an interview here today.

He said the land is about 12 miles long and two and a half miles wide along the frontier of Saxony. Czechoslovakia will receive compensation for it, he said.

Haifa Refineries Reopened After 9-Month Lapse

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA, Monday. — Smoke rose again from one of the two cooling towers at the Consolidated Refineries, Ltd. plant in the Haifa Bay area today as one of the three refinery units went back into operation.

The refining of crude oil was suspended in December, 1949, and was resumed again at 11 o'clock this morning on a modest scale. Enough refined oil will now be produced to meet the country's requirements.

To date only two shipments of crude oil have reached Haifa. They brought 30,000 tons, but a steady supply to keep the plants going has been assured, it was learned here tonight.

Just under 400 workers are at present employed on refining work. More men will be taken on as soon as the production of the two principal by-products — butane and asphalt — is resumed next month.

Present at the opening were Mr. David Horowitz, Director-General of the Ministry of Finance; Mr. K.N. Ezzard, British Consul-General in Haifa, and Mr. A. Levin, head of the Fuel Section of the Customs Department. They were shown around by Mr. J. Hopkins and Mr. D.G. Pemberton, of the C.R.L. managers.

The refineries were reopened as a result of the agreement reached with British and American companies by Mr. Horowitz in London and New York in June and July.

The reopening marks the end of the Arab oil blockade. Fuel and kerosene sufficient for all local needs will be produced from crude oil brought from overseas and butane should be freely available within the next three weeks. The plant will also produce sulphuric acid and other chemicals for local agriculture.

New Drop in Pound Price
TEL AVIV, Monday. — The gold sovereign rose to £115 and the Israel Pound dropped further in the gold market here today.

The cause of the drop is reported to be that manufacturers and wholesalers who liquidated their stocks in the recent rush of buying and selling could not replace them sought to secure their liquid assets by investing them in gold or diamonds and other similar "investments."

The gold smugglers have been insisting upon payment in dollars and this forced down the price for black market dollars to just over one dollar to the pound. It is understood, however, that the quotation for the currency abroad has not been similarly affected.

The Knesset Inquiry Committee investigating black market operations will hold its first meeting tomorrow. The meeting will be closed.

Assembly Rejects Proposal For Korea Talks with Stalin
STRASBOURG, Monday (Reuters). — The European Assembly today heard a proposal for direct contact between the Council of Europe and Marshal Stalin, with the aim of settling the war in Korea.

The proposal, coming from M. Henry Rolin, Socialist of Belgium, was rejected in advance by a group of other Socialist members of the Strasbourg Assembly.

Instead, they presented through British Labour member Maurice Edelman, a resolution calling for "peace without appeasement." The majority Socialist proposal expressing a firm stand against aggression and pledging support for the U.N. over Korea, was finally adopted by the Assembly by 82 votes to nil, with three abstentions.

The Declaration, written by 26 Socialist leaders, of 13 Western nations, was designed to counter the Communist-initiated Stockholm Peace Appeal.

More Water Soon For Jerusalem

Jerusalem's water supply is to be increased within a fortnight, it was learned yesterday. Over the weekend a new set of pumps and an electric motor were installed at the Saris station by the Municipality's Water Supply Department.

The installation caused a 30-hour interruption in the flow to the city, and caused some delay in domestic service. Pumping is now back to normal. It is expected that by the end of next week the new pumps will be operating and the supply will be stepped up to run every other day.

Ministers To Get Teachers' Demands

TEL AVIV, Monday. — A decision which will affect the reopening of schools, which is scheduled for Thursday, will be taken in Jerusalem tomorrow when representatives of the Teachers' Union outline their demands for pay revisions before a Committee of Ministers.

The teachers want a grading scale ranging from V to IX with the maximum to be reached over a period of 20 years. Their original demand had been for a scale covering 16 years but last night they modified this condition.

It is understood that the Government has offered a scale ranging from IV to VII, with provisions permitting teachers who complete advanced courses to reach VIII. According to the Government plan, the scale should cover 24 years.

Goren Gives Israel Policy on Korea

ASHLAND, Massachusetts, Monday (Reuters). — Mr. Shraga Goren, Chairman of the Israel Economic Commission, said here that Israel supported U.N. action in Korea, although "the U.N. did not take any action to stop aggression in Palestine when we were attacked."

Addressing a gathering to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Histadrut he said: "Because we must be prepared at all times for another Arab attack we are unable to give practical aid."

"However Israel is sending medical supplies to Korea. We can do no more because the U.N. Conciliation Commission has yet to effect a peace between Israel and the Arab states," he added.

PACT DEPUTIES DISCUSS BUDGETS

LONDON, Monday (Reuters). — The 12 North Atlantic Pact Deputies today learned details of the amounts member states propose spending on their overall defence programme.

They had before them an analysis of proposed financial contributions completed by a working committee a few hours before the Deputies met.

Bail Revoked On U.S. Communists

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuters). — The U.S. Court of Appeals today revoked the bail of 11 convicted Communist leaders and gave them 30 days to seek postponement of their terms in prison.

U.S. Attorney General J. Howard McGrath announced on August 13 that the Government was seeking to have bail of the 11 revoked on the ground that their conduct and activity was dangerous to U.S. security.

All except one had been freed on total bonds of \$250,000 — ranging from \$20,000 to \$30,000 each.

Israel-Ecuador Talk

QUITO, Ecuador (UP). — Ecuador's President Gaio Lora conferred today with Israeli Ambassador Extraordinary Moshe Tov on the establishment of formal diplomatic relations between Ecuador and Israel.

Fierce North Attacks Halted; MacArthur Message Cancelled

Walker 'Back to Wall' Order Spurs S. Koreans Near Pohang

TOKYO, Monday (Reuters). — American and South Korean forces holding the northern side of the U.N. "defence box" in Korea today held firm against stubborn Communist attacks ranging from Waegwan in the northwest corner to Pohang on the east coast.

The battle for the port of Pohang and the important airfield six miles southeast, was developing into one of the fiercest of the war, the hard-pressed South Korean defenders being spurred to maximum effort by a "back to the wall" order from General Walton Walker, chief of U.N. ground forces.

The General told the South Koreans that "the day of withdrawal is past. It is my belief that the overextended enemy is making his last effort."

'Tear Him Apart'
The time has now come for everyone to stand in his place and fight or advance to a position which will give us greater tactical advantage from which the coming counter-offensive can be launched.

"If our present positions are pierced we must counter attack at once, destroy the enemy, and restore the position."

"Let us tear him apart now so that our road to victory will be that much surer and quicker."

A grim see-saw battle raged within two or three miles of the port, but General MacArthur's HQ stated that by this afternoon the front "appears to be stabilized."

Two Northern divisions were throwing a double punch in the Pohang sector, with orders to break through at any cost. One was driving

along the coast road, six miles to the north, while the other was pushing southeast from Kigye, recaptured from South Koreans this week-end after bitter fighting.

Staff officers believed the Northerners must be expecting reinforcements, because they were "recklessly extending their line."

In the centre of the Northern front, the South Korean Sixth Division today hang on firmly after falling back to new positions south of Waegwan, in the face of persistent assaults from Communist forces. Wehning is 22 miles northeast of Taegu, General MacArthur's defence pivot.

Intelligence officers said the believed the North Korean Second Division — which left the line 12 days ago to rest and refit at Kunchon, behind the Waegwan front-line — was now ready to spearhead a big new attack on Taegu.

All along the Nakdong River front — which has held solidly for a fortnight now — Communist forces continued their attempts to cross the river in small parties by barge, raft, or over submerged cables, fords and crude bridges.

About half of these river crossings died under American artillery fire and the rest scattered, dropping the bridge-building equipment they carried.

In the Nyonngpung bridgehead, about 20 miles upstream and only 14 miles southwest of Taegu, the Communists are reported to have 14 tanks and two regiments across the river. They were sending aggressive patrols towards the Pusan-Taegu highway, the lifeline of the U.N. forces.

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American Bigots Hurting Liberals
By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
NEW YORK, Monday. — The American "know-nothings" are rampaging and nothing in the foreseeable future can stop them. Their victims are not Communists, of course, but conscientious liberals.

Yesterday in the Protestant Republican state of New Hampshire, Professor Owen Lattimore, a former adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek and a staunch anti-Communist, but who in recent years has condemned the Nationalist Chinese regime, was prevented from making a speech.

In New York last night, Catholic pressure forced the cancellation of a National Broadcasting Company television show because the featured actress, Joan Muir, had helped the Spanish Loyalists years ago. Miss Muir's husband, Mr. Henry Jaffe, is counsel for the anti-Communist Radio Guild.

One Opinion
Mrs. William Travis, one of the "civic leaders" who led the protest against Mr. Lattimore, said: "Just now with the critical condition of this country anyone about whom there is any question should not be allowed to speak."

On the other hand the State Department is doing everything possible to counteract the propaganda weapons that the bigots give the Soviet Union. A Department adviser, Dr. Philip Jessup, yesterday said that the proposal made by Secretary of the Navy Francis Matthews to launch a war against Russia was abhorrent. The Department also intervened directly to force the withdrawal of General MacArthur's "strong-arm" message on Formosa.

WASHINGTON, Monday (AP). — The White House said today that President Truman directed General Douglas MacArthur to withdraw a statement on Formosa "to avoid confusion as to the U.S. position."

High State Department officials met to discuss the message yesterday. Usually reliable sources said these officials feared that what General MacArthur proposed to say would play into the hands of Communists who accuse the U.S. with converting Formosa into a base.

The message, sent to the Veterans of Foreign Wars meetings in Chicago, had been distributed to newspapers and radio stations for publication today.

But in a cable to the National Commander of the Veterans, General MacArthur declared that he had "been directed to withdraw my message."

President Truman's stated policy is that Formosa must be neutralized so far as the Korean war is concerned, but that the U.S. must make no commitment other than to block any invasion attempted during the current crisis.

Asked whether General MacArthur might be relieved of his command as a result of the incident, the White House said: "The incident is closed."

MacArthur Message
In his message General MacArthur said that from a "natural defence line of islands in the Pacific, we can dominate with airpower every Asiatic port from Vladivostok to Singapore. If held by an enemy, Formosa could be compared to an unsinkable aircraft carrier and submarine tender ideally located."

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Army Takes Over U.S. Railroads
WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — The Army took over control of the nation's railroads yesterday and two unions which had scheduled a strike for this morning renewed their pledge to keep the trains rolling.

The unions called off the walkout after President Truman issued orders Friday for the Government seizure of the carriers, effective last night.

The Army seizure came without fanfare or ceremony, but with the full force of the Government behind it. A skeleton staff of 50 military officials, including seven railroad presidents, are serving as reserve colonels on active duty.

After Midnight
The Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization decided last night in Paris to "give all possible aid and assistance to the task undertaken by the U.N. in Korea."

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